

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice

Proposed Renewal of the Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit for
Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago

Northwestern Memorial Hospital has requested that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) renew the Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit regulating air emissions from its hospital located at 251 Huron Street in Chicago. Based on its review of the application, the Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination to issue a permit for the project and has prepared a draft permit for review.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the draft permit. Comments must be postmarked by midnight January 20, 2007. If sufficient interest is expressed in the draft permit, a hearing may be held. Requests for information, comments, and questions should be directed to Brad Frost, Division of Air Pollution Control, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, PO. Box 19506, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9506, phone 217/782-2113, TDD phone number 217/782-9143.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit and project summary at www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm (please look under All Permit Records, Title V, Renewal). These documents and the application are available at the Illinois EPA's offices at 9511 West Harrison in Des Plaines, 847/294-4000 and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

The CAAPP is Illinois' operating permit program for major sources of emissions, as required by Title V of the Clean Air Act (Act). The conditions of CAAPP permits are enforceable by the public, as well as by the USEPA and Illinois EPA. In addition to implementing Title V of the Act, CAAPP permits may contain "Title I Conditions," i.e., conditions established under the permit programs for new and modified emission units, pursuant to Title I of the Act. There are Title I provisions (denoted as T1) in this permit. There are new T1 conditions in Condition 7.1.6 and 7.2.6 of the permit established to clarify that compliance with annual emissions are determined by a rolling 12 month average.